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For: METHOD FOR AUTOMATED DESIGN OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS WITH TARGETED QUALITY OBJECTIVES USING DYNAMICALLY GENERATED BUILDING BLOCKS

Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Attorney Docket: 162.7107USU

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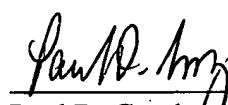
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Respectfully submitted,

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